Potsdam Nov 24 1902

My dear Friend Mr Robinson

Yours of the 19th Inst
very kind to take the time
to write — Were very glad
to get the report of your work in
your new field & the very flattering
reception from the church and
the attendants — I do not think
you will get the "big head"
while there is much for you to do —
You certainly have great incentives
to work, which I have no doubt you
will respond to very cheerfully —

Yes I would enjoy another
call of the office for a little
talk as I have enjoyed many
in the past six years — We have
not made much progress yet in
finding a man to fill the

vacancy — I think we shall be troubled
to get one that will fill it —
Joseph P Berry & R S & G H Sisson Jr
are hunting for us — applications
have been made from several localities
but objections are to some of them
so that they are eliminated to three —
Three for me are looking the
adaptability of these men — One Spicer
of Dyers Falls, Jones of Matteawan
& Smith of Rensallaer near Albany.
All reported to be excellent men —
We do not know that we can choose
as we do not know that they would
come if wanted — shall move slowly
& endeavor to make a good choice —
Mr Steed fits in very well, & full Gives us
entire satisfaction — He
does very well, but as you know
he is limited in his ability to get up
a Sermon — Time & experience may
enable him to do acceptable work

The loss of early training tells much in his way of sermonizing —

If Killough could get rid of his brogue I should like much to give him a trial — but it is to do not think it would do to render him — He has ability & energy & culture —

We hope to see you this week as we have you are to marry Clinton Houghton to Miss Eastman, the last of the week. — Mr Henry, seems better, was in church yesterday — Mrs Haines remains much the same as when she returned from Montreal. Seems strength & flesh, but keeps quite hopeful & cheerful —

Kind regards to Mrs Robinson & yourself — all well as usual.

Yours very truly

J Reynolds

CHITTENANGO, N. Y.,

9. 30. 04.

Dear Mr. Robinson.

Sometime ago I had the pleasure of telling Mrs. Howe what a splendid thing it would be to have you in Syracuse, and I am so glad to hear that you are coming.

May I add my word of congratulation and welcome. With the earnest wish that our our friendship shall be renewed. I am

most sincerely

John M. Richardson.

Rev. W. C. Robinson,

Dear Sir,

I tried to find you after the service Saturday to thank you personally for conducting the services at Bayside so tenderly and appropriately. Failing to do so I desire now to extend the thanks of my Mother and myself for what you did for us and for our honored dead.

If it meets your approval, I would suggest that you take some public opportunity to say a word of gratitude on our behalf to the members of your congregation who sent the beautiful flowers which were laid on the grave, and to the gentlemen who acted as bearers there. These evidences of honor and respect for a former pastor and an old friend, and of sympathy and remembrance toward us who remain will never be forgotten either by my mother or by me.

Once more thanking you for your personal service,

I am,

Very sincerely,

H. Clarence Riggs

140 Rutgers St
Rochester
New York.

Sunday Aug 10-1902

Mt Kisco N.Y.
Oct. 23. 1902.

My dear Pastor.

It is with sincere regret that I learn of your resignation from our dear church.

Though young in this experience yet I fear for the one you are leaving and wished so much that you could have stayed and been the guid and example of her youth and all.

Potsdam is in peculiar need of a man just like you. Your Sunday evening sermons did so much good for the young people and especially for the young men. It use to do me lots of good to see the young men flock in, and where will they go now is the question?

I have wanted often times to tell you what a help you were to me, but like the weakest of all God's servants I lacked the courage. Your influence Mr. Robinson on my life will ever be a memorial and I shall cherish my school days at Potsdam more

on acount of this.

Laying aside all desires and selfishness of self and for the church I love, I wish to congratulate you on your success and hope and pray that the harmony and union between pastor and people may be even greater if that be possible, in your new field than in the old.

As I have left Potsdam for an indefinate space of time and do not expect to make my home there I wish you would send me a letter of dismission from the church and obliged I may join the church here and of course feel that I ought to.

In closing Mr. Robinson I wish you "God Speed."

Yours sincerely,
Louis P. Roberts

Chipman, N. Y.
Oct. 15th 1902

Dear Bro:-

I did not receive your message until 7 o'clock last night. Was out all the afternoon visiting sick folks.

Hope you had a good service ~~Sat~~ and great sermon.

I am glad for your sake that you have been called to Syracuse and I pray that you may receive God's rich blessing and be very successful.

Kind regards from Mrs R. & myself to you all. I remain yours very truly,

James Robertson.

Dear Cron:

I note your change of address & the reasons to know the circumstances. I take it you are Pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Syracuse or one of them. I have a friend in one of your Parishes then W.P. Stevenson - an old College friend & a good fellow who moreover got his start in the old First U.P. Allegheny. He will remember me & I am sure thanks for your effort to reclaim me to him. I think of Syracuse too as the new home of my always dear friend Maclise D. Babcock who in Pittsburgh

Mamma as one of the best friends & the greatest devotees of the Lord I ever knew

I am tolerably happy here in Calcutta. The people are dear about every thing & the work prospers. We have grown from from 127 to 230 in the year & a half. My salary has gone up twice in that state this country. This climate is poison to me. I had a tough time last winter & look forward fearfully to the one before us.

By the way Esther is much interested. Ed pins now in a family photo. book. She has memorized in Matthew & Genesis & is now trying to get as many of the Master's sermons together. Can you send her

the picture of your own family - We
have one of the boy but none of any
of the rest of you - I am going to send
Lyons Father & to Uncle Harry when
he gets home. I have Uncle Charley's
& the boys Wm & James.

We love you. Ethel joins me in sending
to you all

Sincerely Yours

Alan V. Robinson

39 N Broadway
Wilmington
27th October 1902

My Dear Mr. Robinson

Your very kind and thoughtful letter came at just the right time. I had begun to think that the world was rather a cold dreary place outside of Boston although fortunately I had to be so busy that there was not much time for homesickness. But it did rather sting as

though we had left
all of our friends
at Potsdam. Everyone
was so very nice &
we thru before we
came away. Everyone
that is except the
Masters. They remained
obdurate & the Lord
and were unanswering
my letters. or took
any notice apparently
of my going. &
that I appreciated
very much this very

great kindness shown me by all of the students, and the teachers. Before I came away the Junior & Senior classes gave me a farewell dinner at the Albion, at which all the faculty were present, and it touched me very deeply, and I have been since wondering how long it would

take me to acquire as
many friends and
get as strong a
hold on the students
as I had in Potsdam
as you said. I doubt
if one can get as
many and as strong
friends in a city
as they can in a
town like Potsdam.
But I already feel
that the change is
one that I needed

I shall have to work
and exert myself
much more to fill
this place in a
satisfactory manner.
and that is what
I need.

We have not got
into our house yet,
but expect to be
in, Tuesday or Wednesday
they have been putting
in a new furnace.
which is not quite
done yet and that

has kept them always back.
I think I am going
to like this work here
very much, and
what people we have
met have been
very nice and very
kind. Mrs. Robinson
found that there
had been a chapter
of her college fraternity
here for about twenty
four years, and there
were a number of
alumni here members

here and they have been very nice to me, they gave a reception in her honor yesterday afternoon.

Mr Robinson I feel it a very high compliment that you paid me in your letter, in the things you said about me and I can heartily return it in kind, since I left Palo Alto

I realize that I owe
to You more than
I had thought before.
I know our opinions
usually differed, and
that was probably not
a bad thing for either
of us. As there is
nothing like an
honest difference of
opinion to make
people think. But
I could not hear
you pray Sunday
and see you and
talk with you any

little while, without being very much impressed with your broad sympathy and great kindness, and I learned from you that in the light of a kindly conscientious life, opinions matter very little.

I shall miss you and miss the church. We have not decided just when we shall go to church here as yet. We have already heard the four leading preachers of the city. But I can

assure you that if you had come to Burlington instead of Syracuse, we should both be glad and delighted to go to your church in preference to either of the four, although one of them is a Unitarian, and you know I was a strong Unitarian before I came to Potsdam, I hardly know what I am now, I have come to the

conclusion that there
is after all only one
church, and that
a Unitarian and a
Presbyterian, are pretty
much the same under
the skin,

May God keep Jesus
with me, in best wishes
to you & Mrs and Mrs
Robinson, for the
success and happiness
which I feel sure you
will find in Syracuse

Sincerely yours
Edward Robinson

Dec 7, 1902

Dec. 2, 1902.

Mr. Orlo Lamprey:
Clayton,
N.Y.

Dear Sir:—